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OTHER BUSINESS

Application for consultative status by the International Confederation of Plastics Packaging Manufacturers (ICPP)

Note by the secretariat

1. The secretariat reproduces below an application for consultative status received from ICPP.

2. Attention is drawn to the fact that two member associations of ICPP (European Plastics Converters - EuPC and Society of Platics Industry - SPI) had previously applied for consultative status (see ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/18, para. 219 for SPI and ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/R.757 and ST/SG/AC.10/C.3/24 para. 107 for EuPC). Their applications had not been supported on the grounds that these associations represented interests which were basically national or regional, and they were invited to join up to represent the standpoint of the plastics industry worldwide.

3. The Sub-Committee may wish to consider the application of ICPP in the light of the information provided in the annexed letter.

ANNEX

ICPP

International Confederation of Plastics Packaging Manufacturers

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Application for Accredited Observer Status with the United Nations Committee of Experts and Sub Committee on the Transport of Dangerous Goods

Dear Mr. Kervella,

The International Confederation of Plastics Packaging Manufacturers (ICPP) requests for the status as an accredited observer with the UN Committee of Experts and the Sub Committee on the Transport of Dangerous Goods. ICPP is the federation of 22 regional and national associations in America and Europe. All members represent approximately 500 manufacturers of plastics packaging for dangerous goods in 33 countries world wide.

The member companies produce all types of plastics packaging covered by Chapter 9 (drums, jerricans, boxes, woven bags, film bags) and plastics IBCs covered by Chapter 16 (rigid, composite with plastics inner receptacles, flexible).

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The member associations of ICPP are:

- European Plastics Converters (EuPC) with 20 national associations from Austria, Belgium, Czech Republic, Cyprus, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, the Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, and the United Kingdom.

- IK Industrieverband Kunststoffverpackungen e. V. with member companies in Germany and the neighbour countries

- Society of Plastics Industry (SPI) based in the United States, with members in the US, Canada, Mexico, and Colombia.

We intend to include further national and – if available – regional organisations in the work of ICPP.

ICPP represents the world wide plastics packaging industry in the field of international standardization (ISO) and the transport of dangerous goods in plastics packaging.

ICPP operates through a council structure formed by representatives from the regional associations of America and Europe. The presidency of ICPP is rotated every four years among Office Bearers of the member associations supported by a permanent General Secretary.

ICPP kindly asks the Committee of Experts to consider the application of ICPP favourably in view of the extent of representation and the technical knowledge which is concentrated within ICPP.

ICPP is prepared to support the UN Sub Committee in the elaboration and the amendment of the recommendations for plastics packaging for the transport of dangerous goods.

Yours sincerely,

Dr. Jürgen Bruder
General Secretary